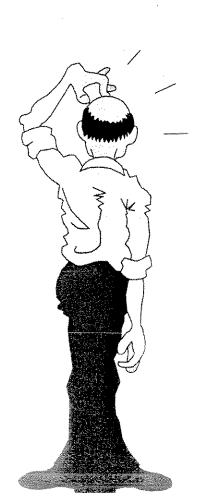
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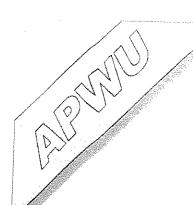
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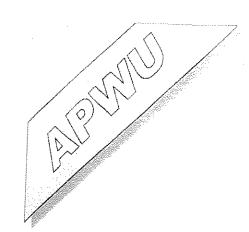


## General Principals of Reassignment

- · USPS obligation to minimize:
  - Dislocation & inconvenience
- Advance Notice to Union and impacted employees
- · Outside Section:
  - Reasonable notice
  - As much as 6 months if possible
- · Outside Installation:
  - Needs 90 days to Coordinator
  - 60 days to employee

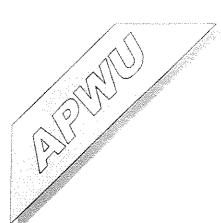
## General Principals of Reassignment (cont'd)

- Categories for Excessing:
  - FTR
  - PTR
  - PTF
  - Best Qualified (BQ)
    - · Each BQ treated as separate category
- USPS identifies category, level and number of employees
- Bumping of employees holding bid assignments is prohibited
- An employee will begin a new period of seniority if reassigned to:
  - Another craft or occupational group
  - Another installation
- APWU may request a Comparative Work Hour Report analyzing the 30 day period after excessing has occurred



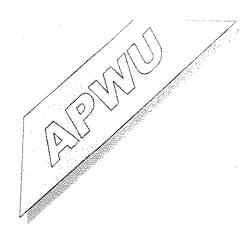
#### Stewards

- Have "super seniority" protection from excessing (Article 17.3) if qualified for work which remains in section/installation
- Maintain "super seniority" over excessed employee(s) for bidding within the section/installation after excessing has occurred
- May be "de-certified" as a steward after excessing has occurred, but remains in section as non-steward with bidding rights over excessed employees



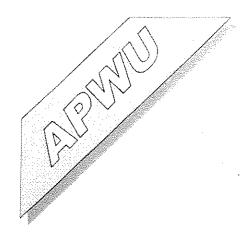
## Maximization Memo

Management has continuing obligation to convert PTFs to FTFs if hours of PTFs aren't used to backfill a FTR residual vacancy held pending Article 12



# Excessing Maximization Arbitrations

Arbitrator	Union	Dec	Case No.	City / State
R. Dissen	APWU	S	C00C-4C-C 03022953	Canonsburg PA
W. Miller	APWU	S	C94C-4C-C 98081149	York, PA
L. Loeb	APWU	D	C98C-1C-C 00214449	Harrisburg, PA
L. Loeb	APWU	S	C98C-4C-C 99308448	Wilkes-Barre PA
G. Gilder	APWU	S	G98C-4G-C 00127475	Allen, TX
M. Kelliher	APWU	S	G98C-4G-C 00165878	Lubbock, TX
G. Gilder	APWU	S	G98C-4G-C 00225247	Normangee, TX
M. Toedt	APWU	S	G98C-4G-C 02064550	Galveston, TX
R. Mittenthal	NALC	D	H7N-3D-C 22267	Washington, DC
(. Poole	APWU	S	H94C-4H-C 97006741	Douglas, GA



## Excessing Maximization STEP 4's

Benson	03-18-1983
Burrus/Mahon	02-08-1991
Burrus/Vegliante	10-28-1992
Dockins/Burrus	12-22-2003
Kahn/Burrus	12-22-2003
Mahon/Burrus	11-07-1989

# Discontinuance of An Independent Installation

- A. Installation discontinued: full-time and part-time employees shall:
  - Be involuntarily reassigned to continuing Postal positions
  - To maximum extent possible

#### B. Procedure:

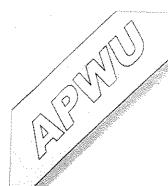
- USPS will designate installation for reassignment of full-time employees
- · Reassigned with their seniority
- · To same or lower level
- In the same craft or occupational group
- · Within 100 miles
- · Or in more distant installation if necessary

### of An Independent Installation (cont'd)

B. Procedure (cont'd)

If two or more vacancies are simultaneously available:

 Senior displaced FTR will be given first choice from discontinued installation

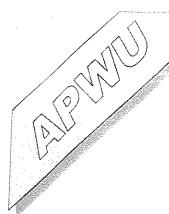


#### Discontinuance of An Independent Installation (Cont'd)

- C. Involuntarily reassigned (FTR) after placement was not provided within craft:
  - To other crafts or occupational groups
  - When they meet minimum qualifications
  - · At the same or lower level
  - With permanent seniority for duty assignment
  - · Lesser of the Two:
    - 1. One day junior to junior FTR, same level to which assigned
    - 2. Seniority from craft from which reassigned



- D. Involuntarily reassigned PTF (Clerk Craft):
  - · USPS will designate installation
  - · Reassign PTF with seniority
  - To any vacancy of PTF quota
  - Same craft or occupational group
  - Within 100 miles
  - · Or if needed, beyond 100 miles



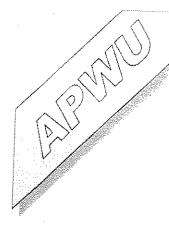
#### Discontinuance of An Independent Installation (cont'd)

- E. Involuntarily reassign PTF (other crafts):
  - After placement was not provided within craft
  - Reassign to other crafts or occupational group
  - If they meet the minimal qualifications
  - · In the same or lower level
  - · To the bottom of PTF roster
  - · Begin a new period of seniority

### of An Independent Installation (cont'd)

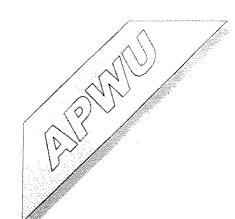
#### F. Full-Time Regular changed to PTF

- No full-time positions available
- Changed to PTF in the same craft
- For 6 months, retreat rights to full-time vacancy
- Within 100 miles of discontinued office
- Or in more distant office if moved



# Discontinuance of An Independent Installation (cont'd)

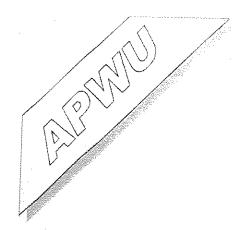
- · Re-staffing of Discontinued Office:
  - Involuntarily reassigned FTR & PTF
  - Shall be entitled to reassignment
  - With full seniority
  - To first vacancy in level and craft



#### Involuntary Reassignment

#### FTR - No vacancies are available:

- Excessed as PTF with seniority to gaining installation if no full-time residual vacancy available at time of excessing
  - In the same craft
- Management will determine which installation to which former FTR is to be excessed as PTF
- If full-time vacancy becomes available within six months, will be reassigned as FTR



#### Involuntary Reassignment -FTR (Cont'd)

- Will remain as a PTF if not reassigned within 6 months
- Won't be converted to full-time again until all outstanding retreat rights in gaining installation have been satisfied
- When converted, regains seniority accrued in original installation, plus time worked as a PTF

#### Involuntary Reassignment-PTF

#### Same Craft:

- Placed at foot of PTF roll in gaining installation when excessed
- When converted to FTR, regains seniority accrued in former installation, plus time spent in gaining installation

#### Different Craft or Occupational Group

- · Begins new period of seniority
- · Must meet minimum qualifications

#### Consolidation of an Independent Installation

Consolidating Installation "A" with Installation "B" involves:

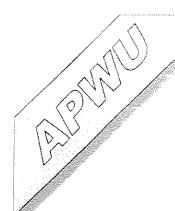
- Reassign Full-time Regulars and Part-time Flexibles to continuing installation
- Without loss of seniority in employee's craft or occupational group

# Consolidation of an Independent Installation (cont'd)

- B. If after consolidation has occurred:
  - Continuing installation has excessed employees
    - An excessing from continuing installation will occur
    - Using merged seniority
      - As per Article 12.5.C.5

#### Consolidation of an Independent Installation (Cont'd)

- C. If consolidated installation becomes independent <u>again</u>:
  - Reassigned FTR & FTF from former installation
  - Who's reassignment was necessitated by previous consolidation
  - · Shall be offered first vacancies
  - In level and craft or occupational group they held when installation was discontinued



# Consolidation of an Independent Installation (Cont'd)

#### **EXAMPLE:**

Installation "A": 100 employees

Consolidated

Installation "B": 100 employees

TOTAL: 200 employees

Installation "B" is continuing installation

- USPS wants to reduce the workforce in Installation "B" to 150 employees
- Are Installation "A" employees excessed first?
- · How is seniority determined?

# Transfer of Classified Station/Branch or Creation of an Independent Installation

Stewards maintain "super seniority" protection from excessing

#### FTRs:

- · Maintain seniority
- Have option to remain in classified station/branch or go to new installation

# Transfer of Classified Station/Branch or Creation of an Independent Installation (Cont'd)

- If any FTRs decline to go, a corresponding number of duty assignments for gaining installation shall be created and posted for bid within <u>losing</u> installation
- Excessing out of installation may occur if a FTR elects to remain in losing installation

# Article 12.5.C.4 Reassign Within an Installation of Employees Excessed to The Needs of a Section

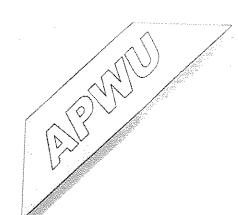
4.A

- Applicable when number of FTRs or PTRs will be reduced in section
- · PTF not subject to these provisions
- · Item 18 identifies section in LMOU
- Entire installation is a section if not identified through the LMOU
- USPS determines category, level and number to be excessed from section



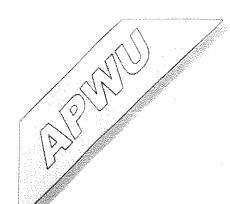
#### 12.5.C.4.a (Cont'd)

- Section is made up of full-time employees holding bid positions
- Unencumbered shall be removed from section <u>prior</u> to excessing
- Light and limited duty performing affect craft work shall be removed from section <u>prior</u> to excessing, regardless of craft
- Those removed from section can be assigned to:
  - Same craft different section
  - May be given involuntary assignment if unassigned



#### 12.5.C.4.b

- Junior full-time employee in craft, level and status within section will be excessed
- Junior employee reassigned in same craft, within same installation and with seniority
- May bid on any existing vacancies for which eligible
- May be assigned to vacant duty assignment if they do not bid
- If more than one vacant assignment, they will have a preference



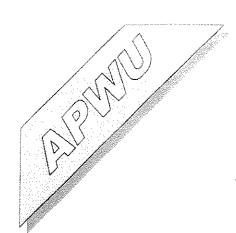
#### 12.5.C.4.c

- Excessed employee retains retreat rights to former section
- Will retreat to residual in the section
- Failure to bid on first available, same level residual ends retreat rights
- · Retreating is optional

#### 12.5.C.4.C (Cont'd)

#### Retreating to a lower level:

- · Retreat to lower level optional
- Failure to retreat to lower level <u>does</u> <u>not</u> terminate retreat rights to salary level from which reassigned
- · Retreat to lower level only occurs:
  - Within the section
  - To lower level positions
  - If residual vacancy available at lower level
  - After all lower level excessed FTRs have had retreat rights satisfied
- Newly created duty assignments for the section
  - Posted within section



#### 12.5.C.4.d

#### Vacant duty assignment within section:

- · Vacated by reassignment
- Shall be posted for full-time employees within the section
- If no bids, unassigned within the section shall be assigned
- Once retreat rights have been offered, all future vacancies will be posted installation wide

## The Installation Shall Be A Section

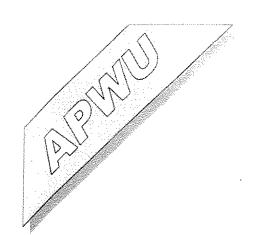
#### <u>Scenario:</u>

The USPS abolishes a job in the office and retains the unencumbered employee.

Do we have a grievance?

Detailed Statement:

Remedy:



#### Scenario

Tour I ends at 8 am and Tour II begins at 8:01 am as per LMOU, Item 18. Rosa has a reporting time of 7:30 am. The USPS has changed her reporting time to 8:30 am as per LMOU.

Is there a grievance?

Detailed Statement:

Remedy:

#### Scenario

North Park P&D Annex By Seniority, By Section

Level 6 1 - Bill Level 5 2 - Jamie Level 5 3 - Katie 4 - Allen Preference Eligible Level 5 Level 5 5 - Salita Level 5 6 - George Level 5 7 - Terry Preference Eligible Level 6 8 - Benson Level 5 9 - Mary Preference Eligible Level 5 10 - Ajamu

## Scenarios North Park (Cont'd)

Bill's job has been abolished.

What do we do?

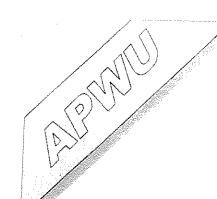
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Bill and Mary's (Preference Eligible) jobs have been abolished.

What will happen?

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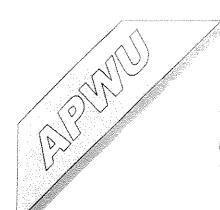


#### Scenarios North Park (Cont'd)

What if Mary is a Union Steward?

What if Ajamu is the Local President?

What if the senior clerk who was abolished does not bid on an assignment vacated by an excessed junior employee?



### Scenarios North Park (Cont'd)

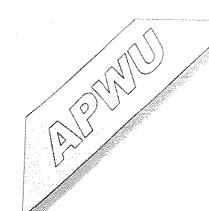
Two employees have been excessed out of North Park P&D Annex. The USPS has decided to repost Salita's job.

Is this job posted section wide or installation wide?

Prove your response.

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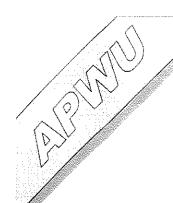


The USPS has decided to post a newly created Level 5 job in the North Park P&D Section.

How is it posted? Prove your response.

As a result of the last posting there is a residual Level 5 job.

What must be done?



Who is eligible to bid on this job?

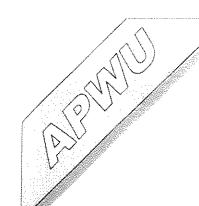
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What if eligible bidder refuses OR fails to qualify?

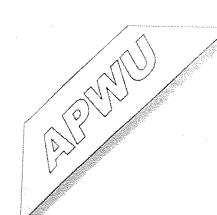
Section is by level, by tour. Mary holds a Best Qualified position. Mary's job is abolished.

Who is excessed off the tour?



When an employee is excessed out of the section, what are rights and status?

- Can they bid?
- · Are they unencumbered?
- Involuntarily assigned?
- · Change tours?
- Do they have retreat rights?
- Are they required to retreat to lower level?



### Retreat Rights Are:

- Option to retreat to same, higher or lower level made at time of excessing
- · Employee has option to decline retreat to <u>lower</u> level when position is offered and still maintain retreat rights to <u>same</u> level
- Failure of an excessed employee to bid on the <u>same level</u> assignment in the section from which excessed, terminates retreat rights

#### 9/22/99 Article 37 Q & A's

Section: 3.A.2:

When duty assignments are reposted due to changes in hours, off days, or duties, are the duty assignments treated as if abolished?

Response: No. Duty assignments are reposted in accordance with Section 3.A.4. Such repostings are due to change and do not reduce the number of occupied duty assignments in an established section and/or installation. However, if the starting time of a duty assignment is changed sufficiently to move the duty assignment from one section to another, as defined in Item 18 of the Local Memorandum of Understanding, the duty assignment is abolished and the newly crafted duty assignment is posted in accordance with Section 3.A.1 -- not pursuant to Sortion 2 A A

#### 9/22/99 Article 37 Q & A's (Cont'd)

#### Section 3.A.4:

If the hours of a duty assignment are changed sufficiently to move from one identifiable section to another pursuant to Item 18 of the Local Memorandum of Understanding, is the duty assignment reposted in accordance with Section 3.A.4?

Response: No. The duty assignment is abolished and the provision of Article 12, Section 5.C.4 would be applied. The newly created duty assignment in the gaining section would be posted installation wide for bid unless there was an employee(s) outside the section with retreat rights.

#### Excessing Outside Section - Step 4's

Biller/Cagnoli	04-16-1992
Biller/Furgeson	04-16-1992
Burrus/Cagnoli	07-25-1991
Burrus/Downes	12-09-1992
Burrus/Fritsch	12-15-1987
Burrus/Mahon	06-11-1990
Burrus/Vegliante	05-27-1877 (sic)
Burrus/Vegliante	05-27-1994
Burrus/Vegliante	11-05-1992
Cagnoli/Burrus	09-18-1991
Kahn/Johnson	06-11-1980
Henry/Connors	04-04-1985
Wilkinson/Hutchins	12-05-1988
Fritsch/Burrus	11-23-1987
Fritsch/Burrus	12-18-1987
Sgro	07-14-2000
Wilson/Henry	03-04-1982

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## Excessing Outside Section Arbitrations

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1. Tranen	APWU	5	070-00-043891	Raleigh, NC
I. Thomas	APWU	5	A98C-4A-C 00052628	Newark, NJ
J. Martin	APWU	5	C1C-4B-C 21511	Jackson, MI
J. Drucker	APWU	5	D90T-1D-C 94044288	Baltimore, MD
C. Miles	APWU	S	D98C-4D-C 01212760	Fredericks- burg, VA
W. LeWinter	APWU	M	EBC-2U-C 9324	Richmond, VA
F. Butler	APWU	s	F98C-1F-C 00054104	Long Beach, CA
N. Bennett	APWU	5	G90C-1G-C 93019643	Dallas, TX
O. King	APWU	S	G94C-4G-C 98105203	Muskogee, OK
3. August	APWU	S	G94C-4G-C 99185554	Conroe, TX

## Excessing Outside Section Arbitrations (Cont'd)

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G. August	APWU	5	G98C-1G-C 99242360	New Orleans, LA
M. Kelliher	APWU	S	G98C-4G-C 02059209	Oklahoma City, OK
C. Miles	APWU	M	H94C-1H-C 98002219	Orlando, FL
C. Miles	APWU	5	K90C-4K-C 93016881	Merrifield, VA
R. Moberly	APWU	5	S1C-31-C 12068	Tallahassee FL
E. Stephens	APWU	S	S4T-3P-C 14808	Greensboro NC
K. Eisenmenger	APWU	S	G98C-4G-C 00243328	Shreveport, LA
R. McAllister	APWU	5	J90C-1J-C 95021449	Grand Rapids, MI
B. Simon	APWU	S	J90C-1J-C 94056266	Bedford Park, IL

Reduction in The Number of Employees in an Installation

Notification

Rules of Excessing

Excessing Options

Time Limits for Notification

Determination of Who is Excessed

Volunteer in Lieu Of

Identification of Excessed Employee

Rules of Excessing

Become PTF

Retreat Rights

Being Excessed

APWU Responsibility

## Impact Statement Or Other Documentation

Indicating:

#### Casuals

Reduction of casuals/TE's

#### PTF/FTR Reduction

Reduction of PTF hours

Reduction of FTR Employees

#### Withholding Extent

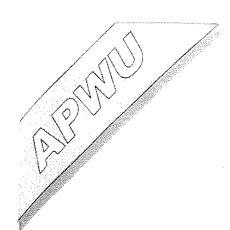
# of Jobs Withheld

# of Miles Withheld

#### ABOLISHMENT VS EXCESSING

<u>Abolishment</u> — a management decision to reduce the number of occupied duty assignments in an established section and/or installation.

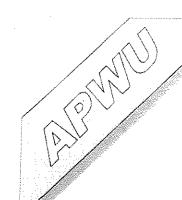
Excessing — the reduction of full time duty assignments in a section or the reduction of employees in a category, (FTR, PTR, PTF) in a craft or installation.



#### EXCESSING

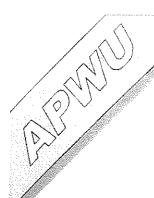
#### Article 12.5.C.5

Reduction in the number of employees in an installation other than by attrition.



#### NOTIFICATION

- Advance notification required to APWU Regional Coordinator
- · Six months notice sought
- No less than 90 days before excessing occurs
- Notice shall reflect exact number to be withheld within an area
- Not less than 60 day notice before detail excessing occurs



## NOTIFICATION (Cont'd)

 Identify number of residuals withheld in same or lower level in all crafts in affected area

 FTR minus reversions be counted toward 80/20 in both losing and gaining installation

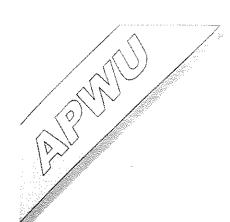
 Shall identify as excess the number of FTRs in level, & craft

#### RULES Of EXCESSING

Responsibility of Postal Service:

12.5.C.5.a

- 1. Shall determine by craft and occupational group the number of excess employees.
  - A. Identified by level
  - B. The term occupational group does not apply to the Clerk Craft
  - C. Identified by category (FTR, PTR, PTF)
  - D. Best Qualified vs. Senior Qualified



#### Questions:

A. How many occupational groups are in the Clerk Craft?

B. Mary's seniority date is Dec. 02 and she is an FTR.

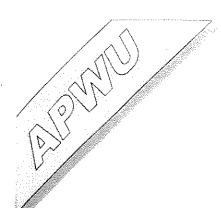
John's seniority date is April 02 and he is a PTR.

The USPS is excessing one PTR. Who would be excessed?



- 2. Separation of all casuals (to extent possible): Will minimize impact on regular workforce
  - A. Key word is "minimize"
  - B. "The parties agreed that the employer was only obligated to separate casual workers if doing so would yield sufficient hours for a regular workforce clerk, that is eight hours within nine or ten hours, five days a week"

(Snow Award: HOC-NA-C-12, July 27, 2001)



#### Question:

C. Seven casuals work the same five hours each day (totaling 35 hours per day) five days per week, 5am to 10 am.

Is this a violation of Article 12?



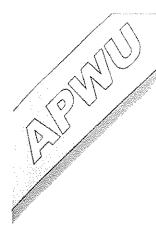
- 3. Reduce PTF hours (to extent possible)
  - Will minimize impact on regular workforce

Question-What is extent possible?

D. The installation has five PTFs. Each works six hours per day.

Is this a violation?

NOTE: <u>ALL</u> of the above <u>must</u> be accomplished before anyone is excessed out of craft/installation



# SOLE CRITERIA FOR EXCESSING IS CRAFT SENIORITY

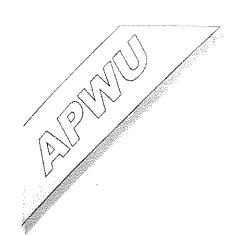
#### PRIOR TO EXCESSING:

- Light or limited duty from other crafts <u>must</u> be returned to craft
- · Casuals in Clerk Craft must be eliminated to extent possible.
- PTF hours must be reduced to minimize impact

### PRIOR TO EXCESSING (Cont'd)

 Union Steward will not be excessed if there is work available for which qualified

· Excessed employees may work TE assignment if qualified

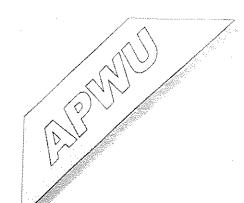


#### Questions:

E. The junior employee is a limited duty (rehab Carrier) full-time regular in the Clerk Craft who is also the Postmaster's secretary (Level 5).

Is the Postmaster's secretary excessed?

F. How do I prove this?



#### Questions:

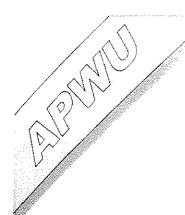
G-1. The junior employee in the installation is the Local President.

Can he/she be excessed?

G-2. The junior employee in the installation is the Chief Steward.

Can he/she be excessed?

G-3. Can a steward be excessed?



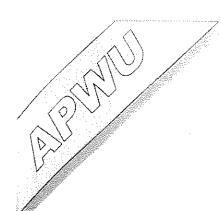
#### Reassignments to Other Installations

12.5.c.5.b

- 1. Identify vacancies within 100 miles of losing installation
  - A. Consult with Union if more distant installations are needed
  - B. Employees must meet minimum qualifications
  - C. Will have options by seniority
  - D. Same or lower levels in APWU craft.

#### Reassignments to Other Installations (cont'd)

- 12.5.c.5.b(2)
- 2. If no vacancies in above:
  - A. Reassign in other crafts or occupational groups
  - B. If they meet minimum qualifications
  - C. Same or lower level
  - D. Begin new period of seniority



#### Question:

What are the minimum qualifications for:

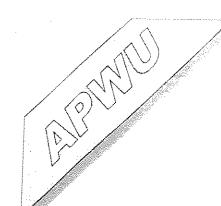
Custodian?

Truck Driver?

Mail Handler?

Carrier?

Best Qualified?

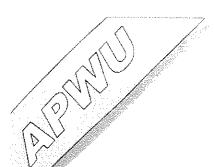


#### Who Goes?

3. Identify by juniority the excess employees in affected group.

Reassign to same or lower level in other crafts within the installation

- A. Must meet minimum qualifications
- B. Will be full-time regular
- C. Retain saved grade
- D. Begin new period of seniority in new craft



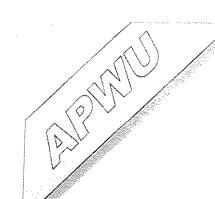
#### Who Goes? (Cont'd)

4. Shall be returned to the craft from which reassigned at first opportunity

#### QUESTION:

I. The junior of the two excessed employees, selected to be a mail handler at an Associated Office, whereas the senior affected employee is a clerk at an Associated Office.

Who has first offer of retreat rights?



#### Who Goes? (Cont'd)

5. Retains all previous seniority in craft augmented by intervening employment in other craft

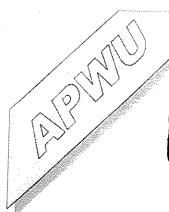
#### Question:

J. John has ten years as a clerk and was excessed to mail handler for two years.

When returned, what is John's seniority date?

## Excessed Employee Options:

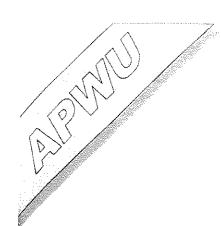
- 1. Junior employee identified by category, level and craft
- 2. Employees offered same or lower level within affected installation within other crafts
- 3. If no position available, employees offered same craft in surrounding installations
- 4. If no position available, employees offered same or lower level in other crafts in surrounding installations



## Excessed Employee Options

### If to same craft in surrounding installation:

- Shall have retreat rights to same, lower, or higher level positions from installation excessed from
  - a. Retreat rights will serve as a bid for the same level *initial vacancy* for which employee was excessed from
  - b. Retreat rights will serve as bid for residual vacancies to lower or higher level jobs



#### Question:

K. I am an excessed Level 6 FTR who was excessed to a different installation.

May I use my seniority (retreat rights) to bid on an initial Level 5 position?

# Excessing Option FTR Opts to be PTF

PROS

CONS

Retain Seniority	Hours cut
Be Sr. PTF	No guarantee of conversion
Optional - not forced	Retreat rights offered to excessed FTR before conversion
If converted would jump ahead of junior FTR if applicable	2-4 hours per pay period
	May be excessed as PTF

# EXCESSED To Another Craft Within The Installation:

- Begins new period of seniority as FTR
- Receives saved grade pay
- Must return to original craft at same, lower, or higher level
- Regains seniority previously retained augmented by employment in another craft
- Will retreat to former craft on basis of seniority

relocation

expenses

#### FTR Option in Lieu of Excessing:

PROS	CONS	
Transfer with FTR status	No retreat rights No bidding for 180 days	
Reassign with full seniority		
50 + miles	New residence	

You have a duty assignment with hours and off days

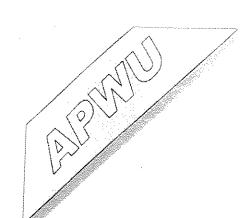
Only receive 60 day notice

## EXCESSED! You ARE Excessed:

#### **PROS**

#### CONS

Remain FTR	To different
	facility
Will have	Different
retreat rights	hours; off days
50 + miles,	No relocation
relocation	expenses upon
expenses	retreat
Have a job	Leave your
	home
May decline	Only receive 60
retreat rights	day notice
Keep saved	
grade	



## EXCESSING OCCURS

- L. What should the APWU do?
- · 60 day Comparative Work Study
  - A. What is it?
  - B. Where do I find it?
  - C. What might it show?
- · Chart all PTFs, casuals, & TEs clock rings within installation
  - A. What do I hope to prove?
  - B. Has maximization been met?

## What Should the APWU do?

- Begin to collect charts & data before excessing occurs
- Identify if work hours have been reduced, remain the same, or increased
- An established position need not exist as a vacancy before retreat rights can be offered

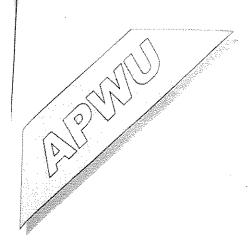
Example: One employee was excessed from office, yet the number of work hours remain the same or don't reduce sufficiently to justify excessing.

## If you are Detailed!

Articles 12, 19, 37

- 1. The detailed employees (list) are to be paid out of schedule if other than their bid hours.
- 2. Travel time (on the clock) will be paid from their home location of the detail at the appropriate rate. For example, if employee works 10 hours each day, travel would be penalty.

To qualify for travel time, there must be a town/municipality/city/unincorporated area, etc, between the installation of employee and the installation the detail will take place. The 50 miles is not an issue (438-ELM).



### If you are Detailed!

3. Per diem will be awarded if work and travel exceed 10 hours.

4. Mileage will be given for travel to new office.

#### REMEDY:

ALL EMPLOYEES SHALL BE MADE WHOLE, INCLUSIVE OF ALL CONTRACTUAL BENEFITS AND PREMIUMS.

# Excessing Outside Installation Arbitrations

Arbitrator	Union	Dec	Case No.	City / State
H. Gamser	APWU	S	A-NAT-2341	Pottsville, PA
G. Shea	APWU	D	A94C-4A-C 97093675	Lumberton, N
R. Kelly	APWU	S	A98C-4A-C 00115734	Spring Valley,
R. Simmelkjaer	APWU	S	B90C-4B-C 96037598	Meriden, CT
G. Sulzner	APWU	s	B98C-4B-C 01185377	New London, CT
R. Kelly	APWU	S	C00C-4C-C 03162916	Newark, DE
M, Zobrak	APWU	S	C94C-4C-C 98010087	Phoenixville, PA
J. Fullmer	APWU	S	C94C-4C-C 98014358	Wayne, PA
F. Blackwell	APWU	s	C94C-4C-C 98066899	Langhorne, PA
W. Powell	APWU	S	E 4C 2M-C-8372	Elkins, WV
G. Roumell	APWU	S	C1C-4B-C 2605	Sault Ste. Marie, MI

# Excessing Outside Installation Arbitrations (cont'd)

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Arbitrator	Union	Dec	Case No.	City / State
VI. Zobrak	APWU	S	E7S-2C-C-41232	Southern Maryland
J. Henderson	APWU	, S	E90C-4E-C 93023390	Renton, WA
3. Dorshaw	APWU	S	G98C-1G-C 99245207	New Orleans, LA
1. Toedt	APWU	D	G98C-4G-C 02058765	Orange, TX
). King	APWU	S	G98C-4G-C 99265197	Cushing, OK
. August	APWU	S	G98T-4G-C 01045457	Pasadena, TX
. Snow	APWU	S	H0C-NA-C-12	Washington, DC
Mittenthal	NALC	D	H7N-3D-C 22267	Washington, DC
Durham	APWU	S	H90C-1H-C 93053978	Lake Mary, FL
Tranen	APWU	S	H94C-1H-C 97091193	W. Palm Beach, FL

# Excessing Outside Installation Arbitrations (cont'd)

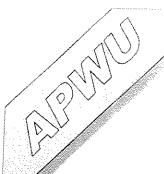
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R. Hoffman	APWU	S	H94T-4H-C 98086177	Lake Wales, FL
E. Benn	APWU	S	J90S-4J-C 95015357	Indianapolis IN
J. Liebowitz	APWU	S	N7C-1F-C 40311	Marshfield, MA
G. Shea	APWU	S	N90C-1G-C 92019527	White River Jct. VT
H. Gamser	APWU	D	NC-E-16340	Altoona, PA
W. Harvey	APWU	S	S0C-3W-C 2882	Sarasota, FL
R. Dennis	APWU	S	S7C-3F-C 12760	Gleason, TN
E. Schedler	APWU	S	S7C-3W-C 24236	Largo, FL
E. Marlatt	APWU	s	S7C-3W-C 35473	Orlando, FL
S. Alsher	APWU	S	S7T-3C-C 21741	Memphis, TN
C. Snow	APWU	M	W7N-4Q-C 10845	Washington, DC

# Excessing Outside Installations STEP 4's

03-03-1976
07-11-1974
01-07-1976
03-18-1983
04-16-1992
04-16-1992
04-28-1992
07-25-1991
08-19-1992
12-09-1992
12-15-1987
06-11-1990
05-27-1877 (sic)
11-05-1992
09-18-1991

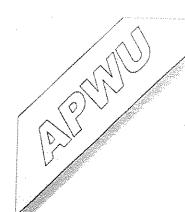
# Excessing Outside Installations Step 4's (cont'd)

04-04-1985
08-15-1986
12-05-1988
07-23-1993
07-15-1977
11-23-1987
12-18-1987
11-03-1989
06-27-1989
11-07-1989
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09-09-1980
07-14-2000
04-09-1976
03-04-1982



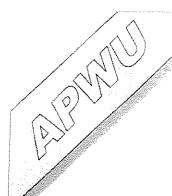
# Centralized Mail Processing

- A. Excessing of FTR from installation "A" to installation "B"
  - Due to mail processing operation moving from "A" to "B"
    - Junior excessed clerks shall be reassigned as per Section 12.5.C.5.b
    - To avoid inequities of existing preferred duty assignments in gaining installation
    - Excessed clerks will be treated as detailed for the first 180 days



# Centralized Mail Processing (Cont'd)

- B. Previously established bids in Installation "B":
- If becomes vacant before end of detail period:
  - Must be posted for bid for permanently assigned clerks
  - Excessed employees will not be eligible until end of 180 day period
  - The 180 day period begins the day the first detail begins
  - Excessed PTF may be reassigned as per Section 12.5.C.8
  - Detailed employees do not have bid rights

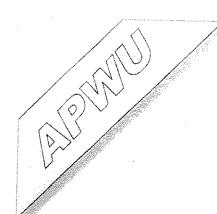


# Centralized Mail Processing (cont'd)

#### C. After the 180 Day Detail:

 Newly created duty assignments and all vacant duty assignments shall be posted installation wide

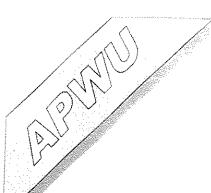
 For all employees to bid on (including Detail employees)



#### Centralized Mail Processing (Cont'd)

#### QUESTIONS:

- During detail, which LMOU do they fall under?
- Which Local will provide representation?
- · Which Local receives their dues?
- What is the definition of newly established duty assignment?



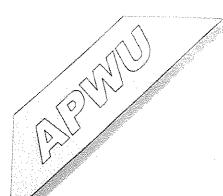
#### Centralized Mail Processing (cont'd)

- D. Newly created Centralized Installation:
  - 1. FTRs who wish to apply from losing installation are reassigned with seniority
  - 2. Reassignment by seniority will not exceed number from losing installation
  - 3. 12.5.C.5 will apply if volunteers in lieu of excess do not equate to established reduction of FTR

# Consolidation of an Independent Installation (Cont'd)

#### 180 Day Detail:

- If agreement reached at area/local level
- Temporary detail assignments will be offered
- To losing installation
- By seniority



#### Centralized Mail Processing (cont'd)

All employees excessed to same craft will continue their original seniority

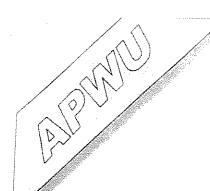
#### Seniority:

- · Clerks: Go with existing seniority from losing installation
- · Maintenance
- Motor Vehicle
- New period if excessed to different craft

#### PTFs:

 Will be excessed consistent with Article 12.5.C.8

Retreat rights/relocation benefits/ senior volunteers



#### Reassignments -Motor Vehicle

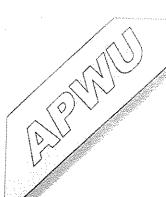
Applicable when a V.M.F. is established to replace an auxiliary garage or to replace vehicle maintenance in a perimeter office or vehicle operations are changed by transfer from one installation to another:

- New FTR and PTF positions to be created [in the new V.M.F. or resultant from the transfer of operations] are posted for bid in the losing installation - successful bidders are reassigned with their seniority
- New positions in the gaining installation shall be posted for bid

#### Reassignments -Motor Vehicle (Cont'd)

#### PTF Retreat:

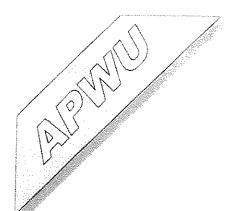
- 1. To first available vacancy to former craft and level if excessed same installation different craft. These PTFs have no option to decline retreat to former craft
- 2. After all same installation different craft PTFs have been returned to former craft, then new installation same/different crafts, based upon original seniority in losing installation are returned. (Clerk Craft employees have right to reject retreat in this instance)



#### Reassignments -Motor Vehicle (Cont'd)

#### PTF Retreat (cont'd)

- 3. PTFs who volunteered to take the place of impacted PTFs have no right to retreat to losing installation
- 4. Desire to retreat must be made in writing at time of excessing



#### Part-Time Regulars

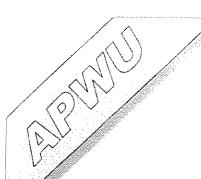
Treated as separate category with all provisions of Article 12 applying

# Tools (Per Excessing Event)

 Seniority list(s) identifying name, seniority, level, section, veteran's preference eligibility (and type), light/limited duty status

2. Modified/Rehab job offer for light/limited/rehab employees

3. PS Form 50 of light/limited/rehab employees



#### Excessing Tools

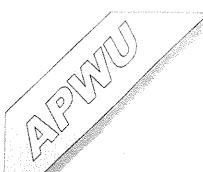
- 4. Comparative Work Hour Report (CWHR)
- 5. Post Excessing Profile (PEP)
- 6. Impact Report/Function 4/ Labor Scheduler Review
- Clock rings/TACS Report for pre/post excessing period of all impacted craft members, casuals, light/limited/rehab, transitional employees
- 8. Arbitration Awards
- 9. Step 4 Agreements
- 10. Memorandums of Understanding

#### LOCAL TRAVEL

STEP 4: H4C-4A-C 10349

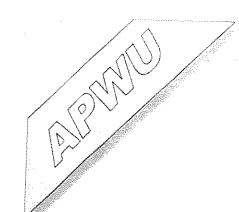
#### REGIONAL AWARDS

Arbitrator	Union	Dec	Case No.	City / State
J. Earl Williams	APWU	S	S8C-3W-C 35032	Cocoa, FL
R. Britton	NALC	S	S1N-3P-C 6019	Bennettsville, SC
H. Grossman	NALC	D	N1N-1E-C 36818	Cohasset, MA
R. McAllister	APWU	S	C1C-4J-C 33282	Kenosha, WI
E. C. Stephens	APWU	s	S4C-3S-C 48561	Ft. Lauderdale,
B. Z. Tener	APWU	S	N7T-1N-C 16206	Trenton, NJ
L. D. Klein	APWU	S	E7C-2S-C 3966	Berea, KY
N. Zumas	APWU	S	E7C-2A-C 21794	Bristol, PA
Lamont Stallworth	APWU	S	C4C-4L-C 29466	Aurora, IL
W. Powell	APWU	S	E7T-2A-C 23973	Philadelphia, PA, BMC
E. Schedler, Jr.	APWU	S	S7C-3W-C 24236	Largo, FL

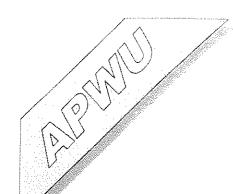


#### Reassign PTF

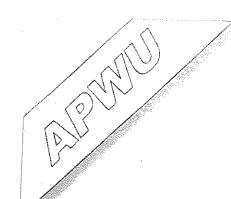
- If excessing PTFs within a craft and installation:
  - The number of PTFs will be equal to the number to be excessed
  - Who are lowest on the PTF roll
  - At their option
  - Be reassigned to other PTF roll
  - In same or another craft
  - In another installation



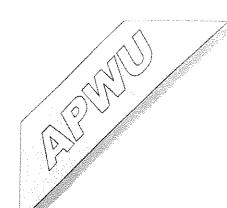
- A. Excessed PTF reassigned:
  - To another craft
  - Shall begin a new period of seniority
  - · Regardless of installation
- B. Excessed PTF reassigned:
  - To same craft
  - Shall begin a new period of seniority
  - · Upon conversion to full-time
  - Seniority shall include seniority from losing installation
  - Augmented by service in gaining installation



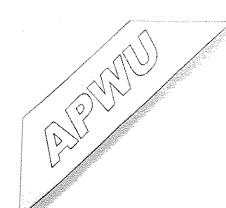
- C. A senior PTF in excessed installation (non-impacted)
  - In same craft or occupational group
  - · May elect to be reassigned
  - To another installation
  - Would take seniority of senior excessed PTF
  - · As set forth in a & b



- D. Vacancies at installation for PTF:
  - · After consolidation with Union
  - Will be designated by USPS
    - Vacancies in other crafts within installation
    - Vacancies in same craft in other installation
    - Vacancies in other crafts in other installation
- These designations will minimize relocation hardships

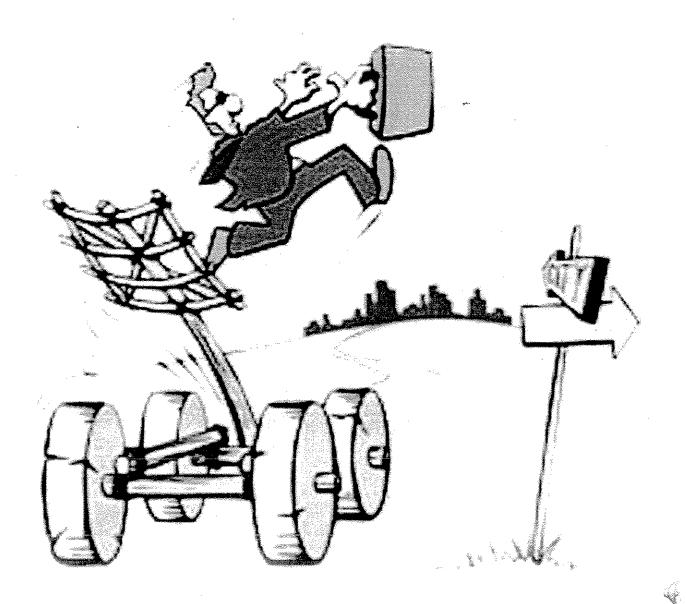


- E. PTF reassigned to other craft in same installation:
  - Shall be returned to first PTF vacancy
  - Within craft and level
- F. PTF reassigned to other installation:
  - Retreat rights to next vacancy
  - Based on retreat rights
    - In losing installation
    - Does not include volunteers in lieu



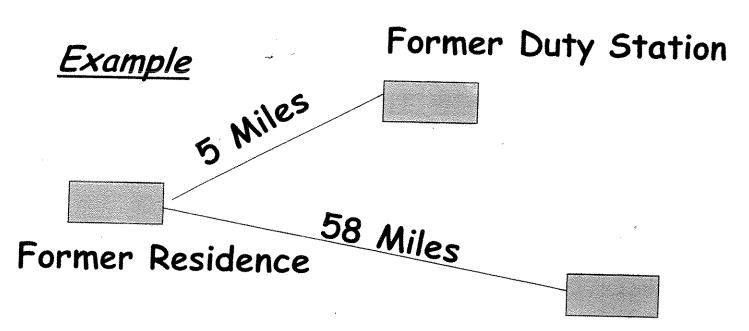
- G. Must have submitted written request:
  - When excessed
  - · Shall be honored
    - Unless withdrawn
    - Or declined
- H. PTR is separate category
  - Above provisions apply within PTR category

### RELOCATION BENEFITS



## Who is Eligible for Relocation Benefits?

To qualify for relocation allowances, the distance between your new duty station and your old residence must be at least 50 miles greater than the distance between your old duty station and your old residence.

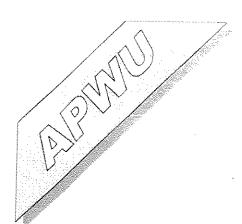


50 Mile Rule: 58 Miles

- 5 Miles

53 Miles

New Duty Station



# WHAT ARE TEMPORARY QUARTERS?

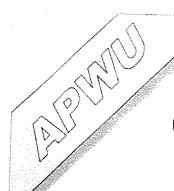
- A. Lodging obtained from commercial source
- B. You and your family must occupy temporarily
- C. Not temporary if you move household goods into them
- D. Used only until you move into permanent residence
- E. Temporary quarters authorized for a maximum of 30 consecutive days

INTERPRETATION
OF 30 CONSECUTIVE
DAYS (Exceptions)

- A. Time spent in official travel
- B. Scheduled vacation that employee cannot change
- C. Extenuating circumstances (e.g., death in family)

# WHAT ARE TEMPORARY QUARTERS? (Cont'd)

- F. Must begin temporary quarters no later than 30 days from reporting date
- G. OR Your family moves out of residence at your old official duty
- H. Cap limit: Spouse and one child:
  - 1. \$2,085 to low cost area
  - 2. \$2,692 to high cost area



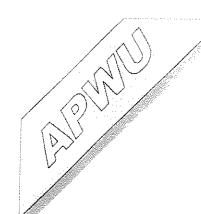
#### TEMPORARY QUARTERS (Cont'd)

#### Allowable Expenses:

The amount you will be reimbursed for subsistence expenses for temporary quarters will be the lesser of either:

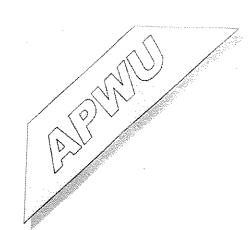
- A. The actual amount of allowable expenses you incur for each 10-day period OR
- B. The maximum amount computed as follows:

Standard lodging rate of \$25 will be used to compute the temporary quarters allowance)



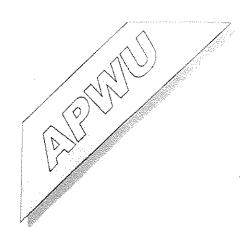
Allowable Expenses (Cont'd):

- 1. Daily rate for the first 10-days:
  - a) For you, three-quarters of the sum of the per diem and standard lodging rate
  - b) For each member of your immediate family, two-thirds of the rate established for you



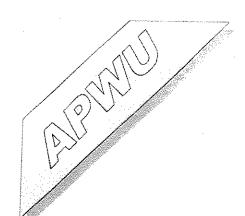
Allowable Expenses (Cont'd):

- 2. Daily rate for the Second 10-days
  - a) For you, two-thirds of the daily rate established in 1a)
  - b) For each member of your immediate family, two-thirds of the rate established in 1b)



#### Allowable Expenses (Cont'd):

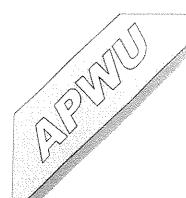
- 3. Daily rate for the <u>Third 10-days</u> and for any portion of an authorized additional 30-day period:
  - a) For you, one-half of the daily rate established in 1a)
  - b) For each member of your immediate family, one-half of the rate established in 1b)



#### Allowable Expenses

#### Example:

	First 10	Second	Third 10
	Days	10 Days	Days
Employee	\$41.25	\$27.50	\$20.63
	@ day	@ day	@ day
Spouse	\$27.50	\$18.32	\$13.75
	@ day	@ day	@ day



### Miscellaneous Expense Allowance

#### Form 4871

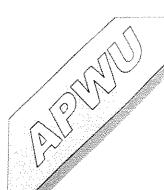
Cost of giving up residence at one location and establishing residence at a new location:

- Disconnecting & connecting appliances and personal property
- Cost of additional insurance on household goods
- · Cost of newly acquired items

#### Miscellaneous Expense Allowance

#### Form 4871 (Continued)

- · Higher real estate, income, sales or other taxes
- · Fines for traffic infractions while en route
- Accident insurance premiums
- Losses resulting from selling or disposing of personal property



#### Miscellaneous Expense Allowance

#### Form 4871 (Continued)

- Damage or loss of clothing, luggage or personal effects
- Expenses greater than maximum allowable limits
- · Costs connected with structural alterations, etc.
- Medical expenses while en route
- · Expenses relating to animals

## Miscellaneous Expense Allowance

#### Form 4871 (Continued)

You are encouraged to itemize. If you take a flat allowance:

- 1. \$150 for single employee
- 2. \$300 for employee and immediate family

Total amount of allowance:

Employee only - 1 weeks salary

Employee and immediate family - 2 weeks salary

# RELOCATION GUIDELINES FOR BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS - Form 4877 used to claim expenses

The USPS will reimburse you for allowable settlement expenses for:

- Selling one residence at your old official station
- Buying or constructing one residence at your new official station

#### RELOCATION GUIDELINES FOR BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES

#### REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS -Form 4877 used to claim expenses

- Settling an unexpired lease at your old official station either for the house in which you lived or for a lot on which you had a mobile home used as a residence
- To be eligible for reimbursement you must satisfy all of the conditions listed in F-12, Section 612

# RELOCATION GUIDELINES FOR BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS -Form 4877 used to claim expenses

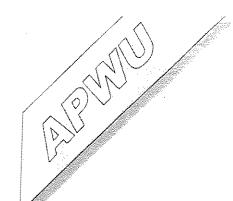
Overall limitations on reimbursement: 10% of sales price 5% of purchase price

Reimbursable & non-reimbursable costs are listed in F-12 Handbook, Sections 624 and 625

#### Note:

Bargaining unit employees are not reimbursed for loan origination fee. If a loan origination fee is incurred a deviation can be requested from

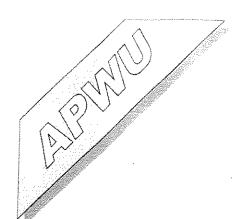
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# OVERVIEW OF RELOCATION BENEFITS

#### For Bargaining Unit Employees

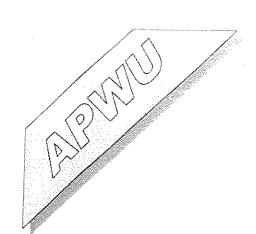
Relocation Benefit	Bargaining Employee	
Advance house hunting	1 Trip	
Spouse on trip	Yes	
Return trips to old station	No	
Misc. expense allowance	\$300 (married) \$150 (single)	
En route expense	Yes	
Movement & storage of household goods through the Relocation Mgmt. Firm	60 days	
Temporary quarters	30 days	
Residence sells or buys transactions	Yes	



# OVERVIEW OF RELOCATION BENEFITS

#### For Bargaining Unit Employees (Cont'd)

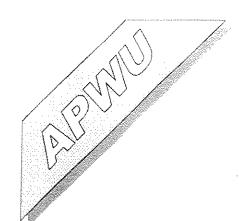
Relocation Benefit	Bargaining Employee	
Relocation management firm (RMF) home purchase	No	
Reimbursable Loan Origination Fee	No	
Equity Loss Consideration	No	
Grossing Up	Yes	
Relocation Leave	5 days	



<u>Abolishment</u> - A management decision to reduce the number of occupied duty assignment(s) in an established section and/or installation

<u>Attrition</u> - Reduction in the number of employees in the impacted location, other than through excessing (e.g., bidding out, resignation, retirement, etc.)

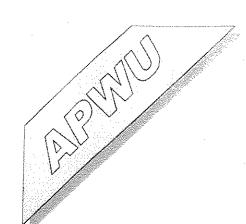
Impact - The location where the reduction of employees is to take place



Impacted Employee - An employee who, based upon their standing on the seniority list, is identified to be excessed

Impact Report/Study - Any written document which management contends supports the decision to excess

Initial Vacancy - Previously occupied duty assignment which becomes vacant due to incumbent bidding, retiring, resigning, etc.

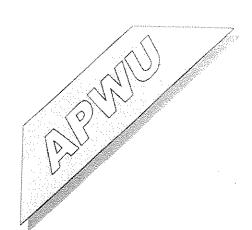


Newly Established/Created Duty

Assignment - A duty assignment which had not previously existed

Post Excessing Profile (P.E.P.) - Union's terminology for any written document which reflects the make-up (duty assignments) of the losing installation after excessing takes place

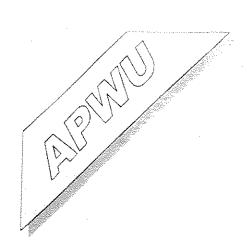
Reposting - The posting of a duty assignment as required by Articles 37, 38 and 39. (See also Art. 30.B., Items 21 & 22)



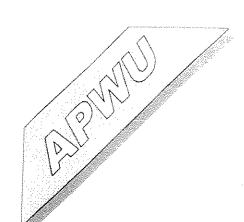
Residual Vacancy - An established duty assignment which remains vacant after completion of the bidding process

Reversion - A management decision to reduce the number of duty assignments in an installation when such duty assignment(s) is/are vacant

<u>Super Seniority</u> - Requires Management to "skip over" certified Steward if the Steward is one of the impacted employees subject for excessing (Article 17.3)

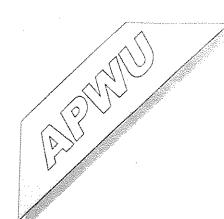


<u>Volunteer</u> - An employee who is senior to the impacted employee(s) who desires to be excessed in-lieu-of one of the junior impacted employees because they prefer to be reassigned to the gaining installation



## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

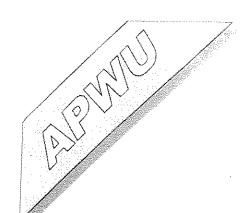
- A. The Clerk Craft does not have occupational groups.
- B. Excessing is done by status, by juniority.
- C. Based on this information, there is no violation.
- D. Based on this information, there is no violation.
- E. The secretary will be excessed.



#### ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

- F. Sgro letter of July 2000
- G-1. Yes if not certified as a steward
- G-2. Same as above
- G-3. Yes if no "jobs for which the employee is qualified on such tour"

  (Article 17.3)

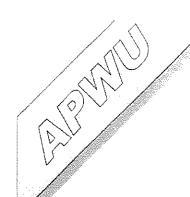


## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

H. Custodian - 916, etc.
Truck Driver - CDL, etc.
Mail Handler - Physical
requirements, etc.
Carrier - Same as clerk
Best Qualified - Article 37

- I. By seniority Burrus letter

  dated 19 Dec '92
- J. 12 years of service in the Clerk Craft



#### ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

- K. Bid No
  Residual Level 5 Yes
  Article 12
- L. Identify and analyze 60 day Comparative Work Report
  - A. Chart all PTF's, casuals, etc.
  - B. Show hours did not reduce
  - C. Show 8 within 9 or 8 within 10 of work available

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